

HALL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING FEBRUARY 12, 2002

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pamela Lancaster.

INVOCATION – Invocation was given by Rev. Lonnie Logan.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison.

ROLL CALL - Present on roll call were Scott Arnold, Jim Eriksen, Richard Hartman, Bob Humiston, Bud Jeffries, Pamela Lancaster, and Lonnie Logan. Also present were County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz and representatives from the *Grand Island Independent* and KRGI.

Consent agenda - Arnold made a motion and Jeffries seconded to approve the following by consent agenda:

1. Accept and place on file the minutes of the January 22 meeting
2. 5a Authorize the chair to sign the agreement for Project E-3-11-2(1014)
3. 5b Authorize the chair to Sign the Agreement for Project #NH- BH 34-4
4. 5c Authorize the chair to sign agreement with the State of Nebraska for survey corners for project #B4-11-12(112) Cairo North
5. 7a Approve Resolution #02-0013 for Five Points Bank for additional collateral in the amount of \$500,000.00
6. 7b Approve Resolution #02-0014 for Five Points Bank for withdrawal of collateral in the amount of \$725,000.00
7. 7c Approve Resolution #02-0015 for Five Points Bank exchange of collateral for \$250,000.00
8. 9 Receive the tort claim from Kerry Garcia
9. 13 approve and authorize the chair to sign Amendment #2 Cooperative Agreement #6633 for Child Support Enforcement for the Clerk of the District Court
10. 18 Authorize the Chair to sign documents for the Crime Commission Grant for the Hall County Sheriff
11. 23 Accept and place on file the office reports from the County Clerk, County Court, Hall & Howard County Juvenile Services, County Attorney Statistical Report and County Sheriff
12. 24 Accept and place on file the Hall County Treasurer's Miscellaneous Receipts
13. 25 Accept and place on file communications as received.

Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

OFFICE REPORT HALL COUNTY CLERK JANUARY 2002

TITLE FEES STATE	\$14,142.25
TITLE FEES COUNTY	\$ 7,221.75
RECORDING FEES	\$ 40.00
MARRIAGE LICENSES	\$ 435.00
PHOTO FEES/FAX FEES	\$ 170.20
PLAT BOOKS	70.00
TOTAL	\$22,079.20

OFFICE REPORT
HALL COUNTY JUVENILE SERVICES
JANUARY 2002

JUVENILE REFERRALS	22 JUVENILES
JUVENILE OFFENDERS	1 JUVENILE
JUVENILE HOUSE ARREST	1 JUVENILES
TOTAL UNDER SUPERVISION	208 JUVENILES
FEES COLLECTED	\$570.00

OFFICE REPORT
HOWARD COUNTY JUVENILE SERVICES
JANUARY 2001

JUVENILE REFERRALS	0 JUVENILES
TOTAL JUVENILE ENROLLEES	22 JUVENILES
FEES COLLECTED	\$ 300.00
TOTAL FEES COLLECTED FISCAL YEAR	\$1675.00

OFFICE REPORT
HALL COUNTY SHERIFF
DECEMBER 2001

TOTAL FEES MILEAGE & MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 12,944.27
COPIES	40.00
HANDGUN APPLICATIONS	50.00
TITLE INSPECTIONS	2,410.00

OFFICE REPORT
HALL COUNTY SHERIFF
OCTOBER NOVEMBER DECEMBER 2001

COPIES	293.00
HANDGUN APPLICATIONS	250.00
TITLE INSPECTIONS	7,928.00

OFFICE REPORT
COUNTY COURT
JANUARY 2002

FINES (CO.)	\$63,209.88
OVERLOAD FINES	875.00
REIMBURSE SHERIFF FEES	1,325.83
WORK RELEASE FEES	1,725.00
REIMBURSE FAX COPIES	12.00
FINES (CITY)	9,975.00
REIMBURSE WITNESS FEES	415.34
BOND FORFEITURES	2,625.75
REIMBURSE CO. FEES	.00
TOTAL	\$ 80,163.80

2a APPROVE RESOLUTION FOR PETTY CASH FUND FOR CHECK DEPARTMENT
County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz requested to approve this resolution for the petty cash fund for the check department for miscellaneous expenses. They are only requesting to set it for \$150.00. Jeffries made a motion and Humiston seconded to approve resolution #02-0011 for the petty cash fund for the check department. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 01-_____

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CHECK DEPARTMENT
PETTY CASH FUND FOR THE HALL COUNTY ATTORNEY OFFICE

WHEREAS, Neb. Rev. Stat. 23-106 permits the establishment of petty cash funds for the purpose of making payment for subsidiary general operational expenditures and purchases; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is necessary and in the best interest to establish Check Department Petty Cash Fund for the Hall County Attorney Office to be used for a cash drawer; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that \$150.00 be set as the amount of money carried in said petty cash fund.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Hall County Board of Supervisors hereby established a petty cash fund for the Hall County Attorney Office in the amount of \$150.00 to be used for a cash drawer for the Check Department.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2002.

Resolution moved by Supervisor _____

Seconded by Supervisor _____

VOTE:

Scott Arnold	For____; Against____; Abstained____; Not Present____.
Jim Eriksen	For____; Against____; Abstained____; Not Present____.
Richard Hartman	For____; Against____; Abstained____; Not Present____.
Bob Humiston	For____; Against____; Abstained____; Not Present____.
William P. Jeffries	For____; Against____; Abstained____; Not Present____.
Pamela Lancaster	For____; Against____; Abstained____; Not Present____.
Lonnie Logan	For____; Against____; Abstained____; Not Present____.

HALL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Pamela Lancaster, Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors

Marla J. Conley Hall County Clerk

2b DISCUSS AND APPROVE PLANS FOR BELTZER BUILDING – County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz stated that he has met with the architect and with the building and grounds committee several times. They now have the specifications and he would like to set a bid date. The architect is confident that the remodeling can be done for the amount they have set. The elevator will be remodeled to meet ADA standards. Some of the elevator equipment will be moved from below the elevator to an equipment room. Jeffries made a motion and Hartman seconded to approve the plans and set the bid opening date for March 12 at 9:30 a.m. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

2c DISCUSSION ON VACATION OF CAAP ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY IN TRACTS 23a AND 23b NORTH OF THE MAGAZINE AREA AND 48C & D ON THE SOUTH MAGAZINE AREA – 2c County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz provided the board members with a letter regarding the vacation of the roads in the tracts at CAAP. The roads are section line roads but these were vacated in 1940 and have not been re-opened. The tracts were purchased and the owner is requesting to place gates at the ends of the road. Janulewicz recommended that a license be formed addressing this. He listed the following requirements:

1. Be approved by the Corps of Engineers on behalf of the Army;
2. Become effective upon the recording of the purchaser's deed from the Department of the Army;
3. Contain a clause reserving to the County the right to terminate the license at any time, with or without cause;
4. Provide that up termination of the license the licensee shall remove the gate from the easement within 10 days following termination;
5. Reserve to the County all rights granted to it by the Department of the Army as expressed in the easements recorded in the office of the Hall County Register of Deeds as document #200003926 and 200101488
6. Reserve to the County the Right to enter upon said easements and rights-of-way at any time with or without notice to the licensee;
7. Provide that the Licensee shall be responsible for the costs of erecting and maintaining the gates and shall maintain the same in good condition;
8. Provide that the Licensee shall erect and maintain in good condition all necessary traffic warning signs, as directed by the County Public Works Director, at the approaches to the gates;
9. Provide that the licensee may place locks on such gates provided that it provide keys to such locks, with: the County Public Works Department, the appropriate Fire Protection District; the County Clerk; the Department of the Army; and any public utility have electric, gas, telephone, or other utility facilities upon or under said right-of-way

10. Provide that in the event the licensee fails to maintain proper signage and or fails to remove the gate upon termination, the County may erect the appropriate signs or may remove the gate at the licensee's expense; and
11. Provide that the licensee shall take no action inconsistent with the rights and interests of the County of Hall and the Department of the Army as expressed in the easements granted by the Department of the Army to Hall county and recorded in the office of the Hall County register of Deeds

He contacted the public works department and they did not see a problem retaining the right-of-way on the roads. By providing the license if it was necessary in the future the county would still have the right-of-way. Jeffries stated that there is not to be any development in this area and he would like to see it handled as simple as possible. Eriksen also stated that it should be as simple as possible but he would like to see the county retain the right-of-way. Logan also agreed that the county should retain the easement. Hartman made a motion and Jeffries seconded not to retain the easement on the roads. Eriksen stated that he did not see a problem with the county retaining the easement. Logan questioned what the county's liability would be if they retained the easement. Janulewicz stated that the county only retained the easement and the roads were not opened it would limit the county's exposure to any liability. It would not be any different than a public utility easement. Janulewicz stated that if the gates were installed there would need to be sufficient signage. The vote on the motion to not retain the easement was taken. Arnold, Eriksen, Lancaster and Logan all voted no and Hartman, Jeffries and Humiston voted yes. Motion failed.

Eriksen made a motion and Arnold seconded to approve the County Attorney's recommendation to retain the easement on the property. Arnold, Eriksen and Lancaster all voted yes and Jeffries, Humiston, Hartman and Logan all voted no. Motion failed.

Logan made a motion and Hartman seconded to leave the property as it is and to maintain the right-of-way as it is. Discussion was held on having a joint meeting with the property owners to decide on the signage and the keys. This is only the right-of-way it is not a county road. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Chairman Lancaster called for public participation and no one responded.

4 DISCUSSION FROM NEBRASKA HABITAT CONSERVATION COALITION, RON BISHOP - Jim Eriksen introduced Ron Bishop. Mr. Bishop was present to discuss the Nebraska Habitat Conservation Coalition that has been formed and to explain the purpose of the coalition. There are 22 members of the coalition at this time. When the U.S. Fish and Wildlife proposed the designation of the critical habitat for the piping plover they felt it was necessary to protect the interest of the local entities. They are also anticipating five or six private organizations to join the coalition. Under the interlocal agreement they have funding to hire an economist that has had experience with critical habitat designations and also hire a firm out of Cheyenne Wyoming that have had experience on endangered species issues. At this time they have submitted sixteen pages of comments on the proposed designation. The coalition feels that the U.S. Fish & Wildlife are not following the law regarding the designation of critical habitat. They want to offer membership to the coalition to the county. Mr. Bishop stated he would leave a copy of the interlocal cooperation agreement for the county to review. This

designation could have a strong impact on bridge construction and maintenance and ground water. Logan asked if bridge construction doesn't already have an impact on critical habitat. Mr. Bishop stated that it does but not on every foot of the area. Jeffries questioned why an economist or an attorney was not hired from Nebraska. Mr. Bishop stated that the people that were hired have experience and they felt that this was important.

8 DISCUSSION AND APPROVE REPRESENTATIVE TO TESTIFY REGARDING PIPING PLOVER – Eriksen stated that Tom Osborne will be holding a public hearing and he would like to have someone appointed to represent the county board. The board approved the resolution opposing the designation and copies of the resolution were forwarded. Eriksen, Hartman, and Logan will be attending. The resolution that the board approved states the board's position.

6 DISCUSS AND APPROVE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR PAYROLL SYSTEM AND SET BID OPENING DATE – County Clerk Marla Conley provided the board members with copies of the request for proposal draft and a copy of the proposed time line to implement the new system. Hartman made a motion and Humiston seconded to approve the RFP and set the bid opening for March 12 at 10:00 a.m. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent for the vote. Motion carried.

Chairman Lancaster called for a 5-minute break

Returned to session.

10 DISCUSS AND APPROVE RECOMMENDATION FROM ELECTED & APPOINTED OFFICIALS TO CLARIFY EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK RELATIVE TO ACCRUAL OF VACATION LEAVE – Lancaster stated that the board received a letter from the elected and appointed officials requesting the changes on page 15 of the county employee's hand book in order to clarify the vacation accrual. Arnold made a motion and Jeffries seconded to approve the recommendation and change the handbook. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

CORRECTIONS STEERING COMMITTEE DISCUSS AND APPROVE RFP FOR MEDICAL SERVICES AT HALL COUNTY JAIL – Scott Arnold stated that the corrections steering committee met and went over the RFP for the medical services. They did not have the final version available for the packets but it was added later. This will be a three-year contract with the option to renew for one year. The renewal will start July 1 so it will be in line with the budget. Arnold made a motion and Logan seconded to approve the RFP and set the bid opening for March 12 at 10:30 a.m. Logan questioned if they had talked to the Hall County Health Department and Arnold stated that they had. Eriksen stated that Ms. Simpson is aware that the RFP will be coming out and she will see if they can submit a proposal. Jeffries questioned if it would be required that the doctor be a resident of Hall County. Corrections Director Dave Arnold stated that may be difficult to do and it may cost more. It is required that the doctor makes weekly visits in the new proposal. They will be responsible for the total package including nursing care, delivering medication and doctors appointments. The RFP is basically the same except for reports, meetings and some audit trails. Jeffries expressed concern on how they can cover the doctor's visits when they are located in Omaha. Logan expressed

concern that an out of town doctor does not have admitting rights to the local hospital, so the emergency room still has to be used for this. Scott Arnold stated that this is the request for proposal and the board can take all of this into consideration when they receive the bids. The vote was taken on the motion to set the bid opening. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

12 RECEIVE, DISCUSS AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON COUNTY ATTORNEY OPINION REGARDING JAIL PROJECT. County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz provided the board members with an opinion regarding if a county jail can be acquired on a lease purchase basis as an alternative to the issuance of county bonds and whether the county can contract with a private entity to operate a county jail. The county can acquire a new jail through a lease purchase agreement and the county board of corrections may contract with public and non-public entities for service essential to the maintenance an operation of a county jail. But, Jerry Janulewicz recommended that an opinion be sought from the Nebraska Jail Standards Board to determine whether the Jail Standards Board has the authority to license a county jail that is owned or operated by a private contractor. Jerry stated that he did contact jail standards on this to see if they have approved private jail but Nebraska does not have a private jail at this time and they have not taken an official position on this. The county would need to have this clarified. Arnold made a motion and Eriksen seconded to authorize Jerry Janulewicz to contact jail standards for an opinion regarding a private correction facility. Arnold also requested that he include the construction and operation of the jail in this request. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

The board questioned how long it would take to receive an opinion. Jerry stated that they would probably forward this to the Nebraska State Attorney General for an opinion from him. Eriksen questioned if the county should proceed with a request for proposal for a construction management company for a private jail. Eriksen made a motion to have the long-range planning committee come back with this in two weeks with a request for proposal for a construction management company. Logan questioned how they could do this when the county has not decided the size of the jail that will be needed. The county has not even heard from the consultants. Hartman questioned if Hall County even needs a jail. Eriksen withdrew his motion. This will be discussed with the long-range planning committee again.

14 DISCUSS AND APPROVE APPOINTMENT TO GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE – Chairman Lancaster appointed Scott Arnold, Bob Humiston and herself to the grievance committee.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Airport manager Bill Stovall was present and requested to speak to the county board. He stated he attended a conference and the four million cross wind runway project at the airport was nominated as the project of the year. He stated that this would have not been possible without the support of the county board. The airport is still moving forward with new contracts for a cargo company and a charter company. The nameplates for the board members will be installed once the weather warms up.

16 DISCUSS AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT RELOCATION – Chairman Lancaster stated that she had been contacted by Health Director Sonja Simpson concerning the county's contribution for the renovation of the county attorney building for the health department. The county board requested information on the plans for the remodeling and stated they would not forward any dollars until this information was received. Lancaster stated that she received a letter from the Health Board President Mark Jorgensen out-lining the steps that have been taken and requesting the one time financial assistance for the building. Jim Eriksen stated he would like to have Ms. Simpson present additional information on the remodeling estimates. Ms. Simpson stated that the health department did not request any additional dollars from the city or the county at budget time they only requested assistance with the building project. She met with the architect two weeks ago and the health department will fit nicely into the attorney building. They will need two large areas for clinics and the WIC program and they will need to have the lab installed. They are requesting funding support from the county and then they will go to the city for funding.

Discussion was held on the organization of the new district health board. The planning committee is working on the members for the district health board and the agreement. It was questioned if other counties could assist in the cost of the building and if rent could be charged. Eriksen stated that was a good point and had been discussed by the planning committee and they need to address this with the city. Eriksen suggested that this be referred to the long-range planning committee. Discussion was held and it will be referred to the building and grounds committee and they can look at the options of rent and contributions from the other counties and come back with a recommendation.

17 DISCUSS JAKE BRAKES – Jeffries requested that this item be addressed. This would address areas outside of the city limits on Gunbarrel Road and Shad Bend Road. He talked to County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz and Jerry stated that in order to enforce this the county would need to have a resolution. Jeffries made a motion and Logan seconded to approve Resolution #02-0012 to prohibit the use of engine brakes or “Jake Brakes” on Gunbarrel Road and Shady Bend Road between U.S. Highway 30 and U.S. Highway 34. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #02-_____

A RESOLUTION PROHIBITING THE USE OF ENGINE BRAKES ON GUNBARREL ROAD AND SHADY BEND ROAD BETWEEN U.S. HIGHWAYS 30 AND 34

WHEREAS, residential areas are located along or in close proximity to Gunbarrel Road and Shady Bend Road between U.S. Highways 30 and 34; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid roads are utilized by a large number of trucks; and

WHEREAS, the use of engine brakes, otherwise known as “Jake Brakes” on the aforesaid roads constitute a nuisance to the inhabitants of residential areas along and in close proximity to the aforesaid road.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. ENGINE BRAKES PROHIBITED. The use of engine brakes, also known as “Jake Brakes” is prohibited when operating a motor vehicle on the following county roads, to wit:

Gunbarrel Road between U.S. Highway 30 U.S. Highway 34; and

Shady Bend Road between U.S. Highway 30 U.S. Highway 34.

Section 2. SIGNS. This resolution shall become effective upon the erection of traffic control devices or signs giving notice of such regulation upon or at the entrances to the affected roads or parts thereof affected as may be most appropriate. The Hall County Public Works Department is directed to erect all such traffic control devices or signs as required.

Section 3. PENALTY. As provided by *Neb.Rev.Stat.* § 60-682, as amended, violation of this resolution shall constitute a traffic infraction.

Resolution moved by Supervisor _____.

Seconded by Supervisor _____.

Vote:

Supervisor Arnold: For ____; Against ____; Abstained ____; Not Present ____.

Supervisor Eriksen: For ____; Against ____; Abstained ____; Not Present ____.

Supervisor Hartman: For ____; Against ____; Abstained ____; Not Present ____.

Supervisor Humiston: For ____; Against ____; Abstained ____; Not Present ____.

Supervisor Jeffries: For ____; Against ____; Abstained ____; Not Present ____.

Supervisor Lancaster: For ____; Against ____; Abstained ____; Not Present ____.

Supervisor Logan: For ____; Against ____; Abstained ____; Not Present ____.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____,
2002.

HALL COUNTY BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

Pamela Lancaster, Chairperson of the Board
of Supervisors

Marla J. Conley, Hall County Clerk

Prepared by:
Jerom E. Janulewicz
Hall County Attorney

15 EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS – Logan made a motion and Eriksen seconded to go into executive session regarding the performance evaluation. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no with Hartman and Jeffries absent for the vote. Motion carried.

11:20 a.m. executive session

11:25 a.m. Logan made a motion and Eriksen seconded to go out of executive session. Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no with Arnold and Jeffries absent for the vote. Motion carried.

Logan made a motion and Eriksen seconded to present the evaluation to the employee. Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no with Arnold and Jeffries absent for the vote. Motion carried.

19 COUNTY ASSESSOR PRESENTATION ON INCOME APPROACH TO AG VALUES – County Assessor Jan Pelland was present and she stated that now the valuations are allowed to be at 80% of the actual value. The actual value is judged by property that is actually sold and set at the median of that array.

If the income approach is used other factors would be used; production, government payments, cash rents and FSA information. But she expressed concern on how the county would receive this information and how accurate it would be. The state may compile the information and make it available but it could be averages and not specific to your county. They are proposing a state cap rate at 8% but this would not be the same for the entire state. This bill was introduced by Senator Coordsen and there are 25 pages of amendments in addition to floor amendments. Pelland stated she does not see how this can be done. In a study that was done two years ago it showed that the state could possibly need another 25 million in state aid to schools because of the possible short falls from the valuations. She quoted statistics from the study showing the differences in the current valuations to the proposed valuations. 80% of the school districts would not be able to function and it stated that one district would lose 75% of their valuation. The study is two-year old and the numbers are just estimates. There are concerns that there is not enough support to pass the bill. The counties are also facing a loss of revenue from the inheritance tax bill that is proposed.

COUNTY BOARD ASSISTANT'S REPORT – Board assistant Stacey Ruzicka requested that the board member return the evaluation forms back by February 20th. The progress report was included in the packets. She reminded the board members of the Multi-cultural meeting, and the grievance committee meeting that will be held today. There will be a computer committee meeting and a public defender meeting tomorrow. Lancaster will have a Senior Citizens meeting tomorrow. Stacey received a renewal notice from the South Central Resource Conservation and Development and asked if she should renew the membership dues. The board approved the renewal. She reminded the board that the hearing on LB 979 for the inmate medical is scheduled for a hearing on February 21, 2002, and asked if any of the board members were going to attend. She stated she is working on the NIRMA insurance renewal application. She had completed the renewal in the past and will continue to do so. She reported that she attended the annual NIRMA convention February 6th.

BOARD MEMBER'S REPORTS – Hartman – no report

Humiston – He attended the corrections steering meeting and all of the other meetings have been covered.

Eriksen – He reported that the health planning board is working on the interlocal agreement. He distributed copies of the draft to the board members. This will be placed on the agenda for February 26th for discussion.

Logan – His meetings have all been reported on.

Jeffries – He reported that he met with District Judge Luther concerning the remodeling to her office. He also worked with Darrel Johnson at the Public Works Department and the building and ground committee met on the final draft of the plans for the Beltzer Building.

Arnold – He attended the correction steering committee and they worked on the RFP for the inmate health services. He attended the crime commission meeting in Lincoln and the grant for the sheriff's department and the juvenile service grant were approved.

Lancaster – She reported that the senior citizens are requesting donations because they need more space. She attended a computer committee meeting and problems are being resolved. She attended the county board workshop and talked to Cathy Lang. She offered any training that the county board would like. Pam also talked to her about the values on farm sites and valuation on expensive homes. They also discussed the referee contracts.

Jeffries thanked Chuck Kaufman and Public Works Director Darrel Johnson for their assistance with the snow removal.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 a.m. The next meeting will be February 26, 2002 at 9:00 a.m.

Marla J. Conley Hall County Clerk

REMINDER: The County board meetings may be viewed on GITV Cable Channel 6 and UHF Channel 56 Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. and Friday at 8:00 a.m.